

Women Avoid Operations

When a woman suffering from female trouble is told that an operation is necessary, it, of course, frightens her.

The very thought of the hospital, the operating table and the knife strikes terror to her heart.

It is quite true that these troubles may reach a stage where an operation is the only resource, but a great many women have been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound after an operation has been decided upon as the only cure. The strongest and most grateful statements possible to make come from women who by taking



MISS ROSE MOORE

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

made from native roots and herbs, have escaped serious operations, as evidenced by Miss Rose Moore's case, of 307 W. 26th St., N.Y. She writes: "Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured me of the worst form of female trouble and I wish to express to you my deepest gratitude. I suffered intensely for two years so that I was unable to attend to my duties and was a burden to my family. I doctored and doctored with only temporary relief and constantly objecting to an operation, which I was advised to undergo, I decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; it cured me of the terrible trouble and I am now in better health than I have been for many years."

This and other such cases should encourage every woman to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound before she submits to an operation.

Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women
Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. From the symptoms given, the trouble may be located and the quickest and surest way of recovery advised.

PRESERVE HISTORY OF NORTH CAROLINA

State Historical Commission
Waging an Aggressive Campaign.

STUDY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Will Encourage Boys and Girls to Learn the History of Their State.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RALEIGH, N. C., November 23.—The North Carolina Historical Commission, through the aggressive work of its officers, especially Secretary R. D. W. Connor, who, since July, has devoted his entire energies to the work, is rapidly transforming conditions in this State in the collection, preservation and classification of historic documents and general history-writing materials, and is just now inaugurating a campaign in the matter of awakening interest among the people that can but yield results of great value.

For instance, announcement is made that the commission is preparing to especially encourage the study of North Carolina history in the schools of the State. In fact the law creating the commission charges this work to the commission in specific terms.

The idea of the commission and of Secretary Connor in planning for this work is that the children, especially in the high schools, should be led beyond the narrow confines of the textbook, and to this end it is the purpose of the commission to co-operate with the teachers in this work, furnishing such material as will greatly aid in doing this most intelligently. To meet this need the commission has determined to issue leaflets giving contemporary accounts of important events and reprints of important historical documents, such as may be used in the classroom, these to be distributed among the teachers as they apply to the secretary for them in the hope that they will stimulate students to con-

SKIN ON FIRE—AGONY UNBEARABLE.

Terrible Itching, Burning Skin Disease Now Quickly Cured.

A purely vegetable external remedy that has been proved beyond all possible doubt to cure the worst cases of Eczema and all skin diseases can now be procured by all skin sufferers. This remarkable remedy is Dr. D. D. Prescription, the discovery of Dr. Decatur D. Dennis, the well-known skin specialist, and is being manufactured by the D. D. D. Co., 112 Michigan Street, Chicago, Ill. The demand for this remedy has become tremendous within a short time because people are just learning that the hundreds of cures it has made seem to be permanent.

Eczema and all diseases of the skin must be treated locally, according to the views now held by foremost skin specialists and physicians; that is, you must doctor the itch where the itch is. It is useless to attempt to cure skin disease by taking drugs and medicines into the stomach. The disease is not in the blood. It is in the skin, and only skin deep. You must get at the seat of the disease and kill the germ by making direct applications to the skin.

Mrs. L. B. Powell, Box 414, Caruthersville, Mo., writes: "Words cannot convey my full appreciation of Dr. D. D. The face of my baby boy was a solid scab, when I accidentally heard of Dr. D. D. I secured a bottle at once and began to apply it. It was miraculous in its cure. It healed my baby's face completely. If anyone wants further information about this I shall be only too glad to hear from them."

Testimonials of hundreds of cases of remarkable cures by Dr. D. D. Prescription and an interesting booklet on skin disease and its treatment, exercise, diet, bathing, etc., may be had free by calling on the Owens and Minor Drug Company and all druggists, where Dr. D. D. Prescription and Dr. D. D. Soap will be found on sale.

Interest in county history and the writing of county histories in the numerous counties which have not yet been so fortunate to have this important work carefully and consecutively done. County historical associations are being encouraged in every way possible by the commission.

A number of important historical works prepared under the direction of the commission are in the hands of the State printers, and will soon come from the press.

The North Carolina Historical Commission.

ARMY OFFICERS ASK FOR REDRESS

Colonel Hammer, a Virginian, Entitled to Promotion to Brigadier.

OTHERS ARE IN SAME CLASS

Men Enlisted at Later Period Than They Now Outrank Them.

(Times-Dispatch Bureau, Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.)

A bill will be introduced in Congress this winter for the benefit of Lieutenant-Colonel William H. Hammer, born at Memphis, Tenn., and reared in Mecklenburg county, Va., and now living at Los Angeles, Cal. He and twenty-two other veterans of the Civil War will be benefited by the bill. It is intended to authorize the President to make them brigadiers on the retired list, thus putting them on an equality with other officers who served during the war and are still in the army. If the bill is not passed Colonel Hammer and his colleagues will be ranked by other officers who served a shorter time than they did during the war.

By act of Congress of April 23, 1904, every officer, when retired for age, at sixty-four, advances one step in rank. Some of these twenty-three were retired just before they were due for advancement by reason of the rapidity of promotions just after the Spanish-American War, so they received no benefit from these promotions.

But the men who enlisted at a later period, who felt fewer hardships, and saw less service than these twenty-three officers, whose average age now exceeds seventy-one years, received the benefit of the promotions.

At the close of the Civil War 3,056 officers who had served in the Federal Army held commissions in the regular army. Of that number, 135 are now on the retired list, 115 rank as brigadiers or higher, leaving the twenty-three before mentioned, with longer and harder service without the honor of rank as general officers. These officers have been the victims of legislation, and nothing but corrective ac-

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Boys' Gloves

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Boys' Shoes

Thanksgiving Novelties in Boys' Wear.



We've added some charming little creations in Children's Reefers for the holidays. These garments are the very latest fashions and are really advance 1908 spring styles. Come in and inspect them before buying.

RED CLOTH AND TAN COVERT REEFERS, a full line of sizes. Others say \$3.50. Our price is

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A snappy line of CHILDREN'S REEFERS in gray, tan, blue serge and red; a \$5 value elsewhere; here they are... **\$3.98**

OUR REEFERS at \$4.98 are the superiors of anything shown in Richmond at one-third more in price. We show a beautiful selection in red, tan, brown, gray, plaid and fancy effects, at... **\$4.98**

CHILDREN'S TEDDY BEAR COATS, in red, white, blue and black. They are handsome garments and superbly tailored. Our price for these Coats is **\$5.98**

They cannot be matched at other stores for less than \$7.50. CAPS and LEGGINGS to match Coats at reasonable prices.

BOYS' DRESS KID GLOVES, in tan dress and gray undress. Sizes to fit the smallest tot to the overgrown youngster. Price, per pair... **\$1.00**

CHILDREN'S LEGGINGS, in leather, cloth and Teddy bear material, \$1.00 up to... **\$2.00**

TRAVELERS TO FIGHT PARCELS POST BILL

Local Council U. C. T. Takes Stand and Appoints Committee.

The Richmond Council of the United Commercial Travelers held an enthusiastic meeting at Smith Hall last night. The chief subject discussed was the proposed parcels post bill, to which the traveling men generally are strenuously opposed. A special committee was named to fight the measure, and these gentlemen will go to Washington when the matter comes up next winter.

Several new members were initiated at the meeting last night.

The local committee of the Commercial Travelers to be held in San Francisco on December 24th.

The following data from national headquarters is printed for the information of the members: "On Saturday, October 12th, a small body of traveling men from the Travelers' Protective Association, United Commercial Travelers, Pacific Coast Commercial Travelers Association and San Francisco Travelers met at the headquarters of the Pacific Coast Commercial Travelers' Association, in this city, with a view of creating a closer fraternal spirit between all the organized bodies of commercial travelers.

They appointed a general committee of thirty-six to meet and form a permanent organization and to evolve plans to unify all commercial travelers upon definite plans in matters of transportation, hotel service, parcels post and kindred subjects. This general committee met Saturday, October 19th, at the same place to form a permanent organization, to be known as the Commercial Travelers' Congress, the first congress to take place December 25, 1907, in this city. It was decided that the membership of this congress should consist of all members of Commercial Travelers' Associations. Associate membership to consist of associate members of the Commercial Travelers' Associations, and accredited delegates from all the commercial bodies, boards of trade, chambers of commerce, merchants' and manufacturers' associations and promotion organizations."

WORK OF LAYMEN

General Secretary of Missionary Movement to Visit Richmond.

Active laymen in Richmond churches of all denominations are interested in the announcement that Mr. Campbell White, general secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of America, will be in Richmond on De-

cember 5th, and will make a public address on the work of the organization.

Mr. White will be accompanied by Mr. William V. Ellis, of Philadelphia, who as special correspondent for a number of newspapers recently made a trip around the world, inspecting various mission fields and writing accounts of their work.

For the reception of the visitors it is planned to have a banquet at the Jefferson Hotel on the evening of December 5th, at which there will be seats for several hundred of the most prominent laymen in the Richmond churches. The movement is being led by Professor W. A. Harris, of Richmond College, and Mr. Wesley Sanders, of the Presbyterian Church. Representatives of other denominations will shortly be added to the committee.

ENJOY FINE CONCERT

Large Attendance Notwithstanding Bad Weather Last Night.

The second entertainment of the series being given at the Jefferson Hotel Auditorium by the Radcliffe Lyceum Bureau attracted a large attendance in spite of the bad weather, and those who braved the rain seemed to feel amply repaid.

The attractions for last night were the Hawthorne Musical Club and the Litchfield Trio. The Hawthorne Club did many novel "stunts" on many novel instruments, and were received with a great deal of applause.

The Litchfields caused much merriment and were repeatedly cheered. Their rural sketch, "Down at the Brook Farm," was particularly pleasing to the audience.

Opic Read is on the boards for the next entertainment, and his program is said to be unusually interesting.

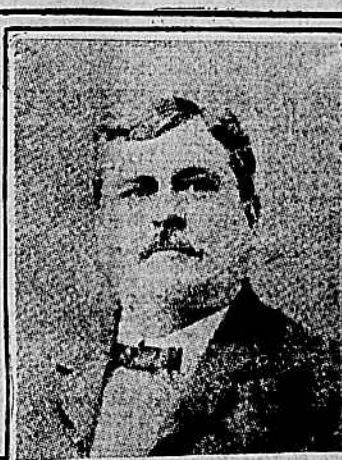
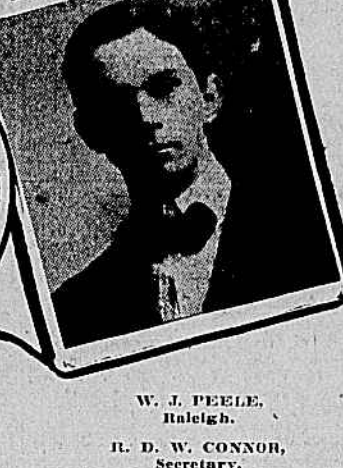
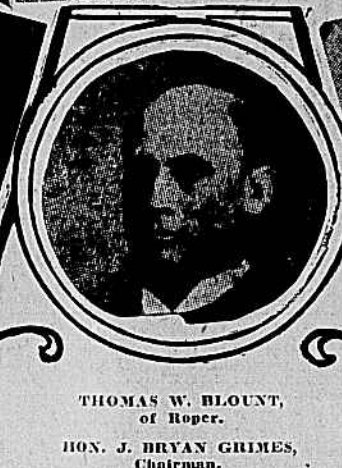
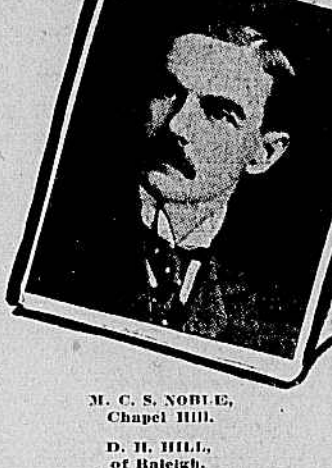
Home Wedding.
A pretty marriage was celebrated on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. R. J. Harris, No. 911 North Twenty-sixth Street, when her daughter, Miss Josephine Harris, became the bride of Mr. Edgar Harris, the Rev. Kenneth Meers officiating. The bride was gown in white silk, and carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and ferns. Mrs. Louis Murphy was matron of honor, and wore white silk. Mr. Johnnie Harris, brother of the groom, acted as best man.

Mr. Watson's New Position.
Mr. W. Gray Watson, for some time connected with the Bank of Commerce and Trusts, has accepted the position of district manager of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. He will continue to have his office in this city, where he is very widely known.

Successful Revival.
The special revival services at the First Baptist Church will be continued at 8:15 P. M. all of this week by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. George W. McDaniel. These services have been attended during the past week with great success.

Noted Minister to Speak.
The Rev. W. J. Wright, secretary of the American Christian Missionary Society, with headquarters at Cincinnati, will speak at the morning service at the Seventh Street Christian Church today. The Rev. Mr. Wright is one of the most eloquent speakers in the denomination.

NORTH CAROLINA'S HISTORICAL COMMISSION

M. C. S. NOBLE,
Chapel Hill.
D. H. HILL,
of Raleigh.THOMAS W. BLOUNT,
of Roper.
HON. J. BRYAN GRIMES,
Chairman.W. J. PEELE,
Raleigh.
R. D. W. CONNOR,
Secretary.

tinue their investigations into larger fields.

Whole Time to the Work.

Under the provision made by the last Legislature the commission has induced R. D. W. Connor to devote his entire time to the work the commission has before it, he having resigned his position with the State Department of Education for this purpose. Office and filing rooms have been provided on the third floor of the State House, one of the most completely fireproof buildings to be found here, and Mr. Connor is making excellent headway in the classification of the documents already in the State archives. Vast quantities of the most valuable documents from a historic viewpoint have been thrown about "from post to pillar" in the rooms rented by the State for storage purposes without any order or regard for accessibility, and practically none as to the real preservation. The letter files of Governors from earliest statehood, and legislative acts and defeated bills and memorials, vast quantities of them of inestimable value in throwing light on affairs of State and the spirit and temper of the people through the years of State development are in this conglomerated mass, which is now, under the intelligent and skilled hand of Secretary Connor, being set in order and completely indexed by the card system so as to be most easily accessible by any citizen who has occasion to desire to investigate for literary or other purposes.

In this connection the commission announces that it is desirous of receiving any "private" papers of historic value to be filed and preserved in the same manner, the commission to receive them as trustees for the State and guarantee preservation, all this material, after being carefully edited, to be published or otherwise made accessible. The commission is pressing this work under the realization that "a people who have not the pride to record their history will not long have the virtue to make history that is worth recording," and that there is an imperative duty owed by the State to the people in making history materials most accessible; for that "no man is fit to be entrusted with the control of the present who is ignorant of the past; and no people who are indifferent to their past need hope to make their future great."

The commission will under the extended powers conferred by the last Legislature examine the local archives in the various counties seeking for material of State importance and every effort will be made to quicken the in-

mission was first created under an act of the Legislature of 1905, but it was handicapped by inadequate powers and financial support until the 1907 Legislature, when it was put on a very much better basis. The personnel of the commission has changed considerably. The first commission consisted of W. J. Peele, Raleigh; D. H. Hill, Raleigh; F. A. Soudley, Asheville; Richard Dillard, Edenton, and R. D. W. Connor, then of Wilmington. Then in 1905 a new commission was named, comprising W. J. Peele, Raleigh; J. Bryan Grimes, Raleigh; Thomas W. Blount, Roper; C. L. Raper, Chapel Hill; R. D. W. Connor, Raleigh. Again in 1907 the Legislature made a change in connection with an act appropriating \$5,000, and providing a salary for the secretary, the commission named being J. Bryan Grimes, W. J. Peele, Raleigh; Thomas W. Blount, Roper; M. C. S. Noble, Chapel Hill, and D. H. Hill, Raleigh. This commission re-elected R. D. W. Connor, secretary for all his time, and set apart offices and filing rooms in the Statehouse.

Colonel Grimes, chairman of the commission, is secretary of State, a man of much literary ability and fondness for historic research; W. J. Peele is a prominent lawyer of Raleigh, being author of a valued text-book on civics that is adopted for use in the North Carolina public schools; Thomas W. Blount is a prominent business man at Roper, of recognized ability, who has served with distinction in several sessions of the General Assembly; Professor M. C. S. Noble is one of the most distinguished educators in the State, filling with eminent success the chair of pedagogy at the University of North Carolina; Professor D. H. Hill is an educator successful to a marked degree, being vice-president of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanics Arts, and filling the chair of literature at that institution. He has contributed a number of valuable and very popular books to North Carolina's output of literary productions, including text-books that have come into general use in many States. R. D. W. Connor, secretary, is a man of great literary talent and training, passionately fond of historic research, prosecuting his work with great energy and judgment, as the results being attained in the commission's work attest.

Offered at the great things can be expected of the commission in furthering the interests of the Commonwealth in the preservation of material and encouraging the writing of State history along authentic lines.

tion can save them from retirement without the honor which their services and the ordinary procedure in the matter of promotion would have entitled them. It is thought that Congress will take steps to correct the wrong done them by the act of 1904.

METHODIST CONFERENCE

Union with Congregationalists and United Brethren Not Acted Upon.
GREENSBORO, N. C., November 23.—The Methodist Protestant Conference to-day and to-night acted on many committee reports, the most important being the adoption of a recommendation to purchase school property at Denton; to ordain on Sunday eight new candidates for the ministry who passed the examination and to provide a correspondence school for future candidates for ordination.

After long discussion this afternoon of the question of union with the Congregationalists and the United Brethren Churches, it was resolved that the matter be left unprejudiced, awaiting the action of the general convention at Pittsburg next May.

Assignments for preaching by ministers of the conference were announced for twenty-six churches of the city and its environs on Sunday.

GOLD SEAL

America's Favorite Champagne
Clubmen and Connoisseurs invariably select Gold Seal, because they know they get quality equal to imported wine without paying the import duty.
Two Kinds
SPECIAL DRY-BRUT
sold by all leading grocers and wine merchants.
Served at Hotels, Restaurants, Clubs, Banquets, and wherever a good wine is used.
URBANA WINE CO.,
Urbana, N. Y.,
Sole Makers.

NO DANGER OF FLOOD

Clearing and Colder Weather Predicted for This Afternoon.

Four days of nearly continuous drizzle have kept the streets of Richmond damp and disagreeable, the rainfall last night increasing to a steady downpour, which drove pedestrians in and caused an early cessation of Saturday night business. For this time of the year the spell has been exceptionally warm, the dampness permeating everything, and rendering the weather unusually disagreeable.

No serious rains in the river has occurred thus far. Rains in the mountains section were not sufficiently heavy to cause a serious rise. In fact, at midnight last night the river at Columbia was but six and one-half feet above high water mark, not a serious situation for that part, where twice as heavy a rise would not occasion any serious apprehension. Should there be no further heavy rainfall, there is no danger of a flood this time.

The Government Weather Bureau issued a bulletin at midnight predicting clearing and colder weather this afternoon, especially in the western part of the State, with generally clear and cold weather on Monday, so that from present indications it would seem that the present disagreeable spell has been broken.

REPLY TO LEAGUE

Labor Council Appoints Committee to Consider Matter.

At a meeting of the Central Trades and Labor Council, Friday night, a committee was appointed to confer with a similar committee from the Union League concerning the matter of water meter rates and to report at the next meeting of the council. This committee consists of Messrs. Voltz, Pulling and Mitchell.

Another committee was appointed to answer the comments of Field Agent West, of the Anti-Saloon League, regarding the stand of the council in the liquor question. This committee consists of Messrs. Cates, Blakey and Voltz.

Board of Fisheries Meets.

Members of the State Board of Fisheries are at Murphy's, putting the final touches to their annual report to the Governor.

The main features of the forthcoming report have already been printed in this paper.

All the members of the board—Chairman W. McDonald Lee, Secretary S. Wilkins Mathews, Senator George B.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

Biggest bargain ever offered—four full quarts Kelly's copper distilled, bottled in bond, \$2.25; delivered city, suburbs or Manchester, 1413 East Main.

THE PHIL G. KELLY CO. IN NEW QUARTERS.

Heavy increase in the mail order business of the Phil G. Kelly Company has necessitated their branching out into new quarters. They have recently moved into their new building, 1413 East Main Street. The entire four floors of this building are utilized by this company. The building has been remodeled throughout and equipped with modern appliances to meet the demand for conveniently handling the many orders which are daily received, not only in the State of Virginia, but so phenomenal has been the growth of this concern during the past year or two that their goods are shipped throughout the entire eastern coast of the Mississippi and especially heavy trade in all the Southern States. However, many orders are received from west of the Mississippi.

This company has built a large mail order business, and the success of their enterprise is due to the liberal use of daily newspaper advertising. They have now taken up the "pure food product," as required under the pure food laws made by the United States government. Their list of customers comprises more than 300,000 names and covers a wide territory.

Kezell, Hon. R. A. James and Hon. E. Wilbur of Pittsburg, delivered a splendid lecture to a large congregation on "Palestine."

Acting Detective Polke yesterday evening recovered the watch lost by G. E. Cooper at Eighth and Cary Streets.

Receivers Watch.
Acting Detective Polke yesterday evening recovered the watch lost by G. E. Cooper at Eighth and Cary Streets.

Satisfactory Xmas Gifts

Are selected before the rush. Therefore we've secured the Old Bijou Theatre for storing purposes, and will keep any article you may select, and deliver when you wish.

Among the storeful of suitable presents are:

Children's Rockers,
Ladies' Desks,
Rockers,
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Sydnor & Hundley,

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LEADERS.

709-11-13 E. Broad Street.

Special Bargains

Hair Preparations

50c Parker's Hair Balsam.....37½c
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50c Hayes' Hair Balm.....37½c
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50c Lyon's Kathairon.....43c
50c Burnett's Cocaine.....43c
50c Barry's Tricopherous.....43c
50c Valnetta Hair Stain.....43c
50c Damaskinsky's.....43c
50c French Walnut Hair Dye.....43c
75c Wm. H. Tuttle's Improved Liquid Hair Dye.....37c
1.00 Xanthine.....71c
1.00 Dandruff.....71c
1.00 Herpicide.....83c
1.00 Hall's Hair Renewer.....71c
1.00 Blank's Harmless Hair Restorer restores gray or faded hair to its natural color; this preparation we can recommend from what we have heard those say that have used it.....75c
3 bottles for.....\$2.00
50c Ford's Ozonized Ox Marrow.....43c
1.00 Dandruff.....71c
25c Blank's Tonic Hair Pomade.....75c
1.00 Barker's Hirsutus.....75c
Blank's Quinine Hair Tonic is an ideal tonic. It stimulates the growth and prevents it from falling out. Contains no oils or anything to color the skin; price, 25c; 5 bottles, \$1.00.

L. Wagner Drug Co.,

Dealer in High-Grade Drugs and Toilet Goods.

Piano

A full size Upright, used short time, one of the best makes, \$175.

Lee Fergusson Piano Co.,
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Holiday Gifts

...of...

Quality

It is gratifying to note that as each season rolls on its way, there is for this store a continuous increase of patronage. The variety and elegance of our stocks offer unusual opportunities for the selection of Holiday gifts.

We urge your early inspection, so that orders for engraving, etc., may be properly executed. In view of the extensiveness of our assortment, we mention a few suggestions most likely to interest you:

SEAL RINGS, \$1.50 to \$3.50.
SET RINGS, \$1 to \$50.
DIAMOND RINGS, \$10 to \$1000.
GOLD BROOCHES, \$2 to \$50.
DIAMOND BROOCHES, \$10 to \$500.
LOCKETS, \$2.00 to \$50.
BRACELETS, \$1.50 to \$75.
LADIES' WATCHES, \$10 to \$200.
GENTS' WATCHES, \$10 to \$400.
SCARF PINS, \$1 to \$50.
LA VALIERES, \$7.50 to \$25.
COMBS, \$3 to \$75.
GOLD BEAD NECKLACES, \$5 to \$15.
OPERA GLASSES, \$5 to \$35.
LADIES' CARD CASES, \$5 to \$25.
CIGARETTE CASES, \$5 to \$25.
MATCH CASES, \$1 to \$5.
SILVER COMB, BRUSH AND MIRROR SETS, \$10 to \$35.
GOLD FORKS, \$2.50 to \$35.
UMBRELLAS, \$5 to \$25.
MILITARY SETS, \$5 to \$22.
MANICURE SETS, \$5 to \$40.
AND MANY OTHER GOLD AND SILVER NOVELTIES.

Schwarzschild Bros.

Jewelers,

Corner Second and Broad Streets